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PORT SANITARY STATEMENTS.

ISSUANCE OF, TO VESSELS DEPARTING FROM UNITED STATES PORTS, BY MEDICAL OFFICERS OF THE UNITED STATES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE.

[1914. Department Circular No. 25, Bureau of Public Health Service.]

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,

Washington, April 9, 1914.

To Medical Officers of the U. S. Public Health Service,

Collectors of Customs, and others concerned:

Form 1964, "Port sanitary statement," a copy of which is inclosed, will hereafter replace the form "Bill of health" heretofore used by collectors of customs for issuance to vessels departing from United States ports.

The duty of issuing the said port sanitary statements will in future be performed by medical officers of the United States Public Health Service, and should not be performed by collectors of customs, as heretofore, except as noted below.

At ports where Public Health Service officers are not available the collectors of customs should issue the port sanitary statement, as heretofore.

A supply of these forms may be obtained upon letter requisition, pending the usual formal requisitions for stationery and supplies.

W. G. McAdoo, *Secretary.*

STATE HEALTH ADMINISTRATION.

THE STATE CONTROL OF DISEASE IN MINNESOTA.

On page 1045 of this issue will be found copies of regulations promulgated by the Minnesota State Board of Health November 19, 1913. These regulations have several features of interest.

Physicians in all parts of the State are required to notify immediately the division of epidemiology of the State department of health